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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): FUEL CELL SYSTEM

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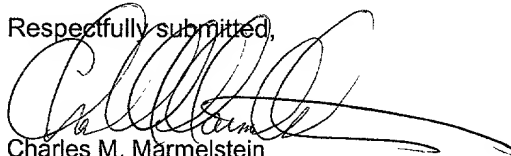
- ☒ 36 pages of Specification/Claims 1-10/Abstract are attached.
☒ Formal drawings (Figs). 1-8; 7 sheets are attached.
☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and _____ reference(s).
☐ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence -This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____.
☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2000-336820 filed November 6, 2000 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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| FOR: | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA | RATE | FEE | OR | RATE | FEE |
| BASIC FEE | | | | \$ 370 | OR | | \$ 740 |
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| INDEP CLAIMS | 2 - 3 | = 0 | x 42 = | \$ | OR | x 84 | \$ 0 |
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Respectfully submitted,



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